

Appl. No. 09/941,399  
Amdt. dated January 14, 2005  
Reply to Office Action of December 17, 2004

PATENT

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claims 1-10 are pending. Claims 11-24 have been withdrawn. In response to the Restriction Requirement of December 17, 2004, Applicants elect Group I, directed to claims 1-10.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

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